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REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for conducting the telephone interview concerning the issues pending in the office action. The issues discussed during the telephone interview included the rejections of the claims. However, Applicant has decided to amend the claims to include the subject matter found to be allowable by the Examiner in the pending office action.

Claims 12-14, 33-35, 52-54 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant thanks the Examiner for finding these claims to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Applicant has amended independent claims 1, 25 and 45 to include limitations from the claims that were objected to. Applicant has cancelled claims 10, 13, 31, 34, 50 and 53 having limitations that were incorporated into the amended independent claims. Having amended the independent claims with the allowable subject matter, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections for the independent claims as well as all claims depending therefrom.

Claims 1-6, 10, 15-17, 19, 25-31, 36-39, 45-51, 55 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0162058 of Mottes. Claims 20-23, 40-43, 57-60 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0162058 of Mottes in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. US 2004/0185827 of Parks. Claims 7-9, 11, 18, 24, 32, 44, 56 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2004/0162058 of Mottes However, for the reasons provided in the remarks above regarding amended independent claims 1, 25 and 45, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of amended independent claims 1, 25 and 45 as well as for all claims depending therefrom.

Applicant respectfully asserts that all the claims are now in condition for allowance and

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respectfully requests the timely issuance of the Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would expedite the examination of this pending application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the below-signed attorney at the convenience of the Examiner. In the event there are additional charges in connection with the filing of this Response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 50-0714/IBM-0035 of the firm of the below-signed attorney in the amount of any necessary fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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